

2003 EQIP Local Ranking Sheet

Resource Concern: WATER QUALITY

Sites have the following characteristics (check all that apply):

- Area located in watershed listed on IDEM 303 (d) Water Impaired from Non-point Sources list.
- Area is within 1/8 mile (660 ft.) of a body of water (ditch, stream, pond or wetland) or surface inlet that does not have a 20 foot perennial grass buffer strip around it.
- Area located within area of special watershed activity (Source Water Protection Project, Fish Creek Project)
- Area located within the St. Joseph River (Maumee) watershed. (Source of drinking water for the Ft. Wayne metro area)
- No soil test within the past three years
- High leaching potential for pesticides or nutrients, as indentified on Indiana EQIP Map 3w. (If any part of a field is eligible through this criterea, the entire field will be considered eligible)
- Will remove manure from a storage facility for permanent closure.
- Existing livestock operation without a nutrient management plan
- Presence or potential for sheet & rill erosion at rates greater than 2T

Ranking:

High	three or more items checked
Medium	two
Low	one or less

Conservation Practices that may address resource concerns:

Nutrient Management (non-AFO)
Nutrient Management (AFO)
Pest Management
Residue Management, No-till (corn only)
Closure of Waste Impoundment

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Resource Concern: SOIL EROSION

Sites have the following characteristics (check all that apply):

- Gully erosion present. Gully erosion is caused by concentrated flow of water that is too large to repair with annual tillage practices and usually at least 1 foot deep
- Presence or potential for sheet & rill erosion greater than 2T
- Area located within area of special watershed activity
(Source Water Protection Project, Fish Creek Project)
- Area located within the St. Joseph River (Maumee) watershed.
(Source of drinking water for the Ft. Wayne metro area)
- Excessive streambank erosion present on at least 100 linear feet.
- Within 1/8 mile (660 ft) of unbuffered bodies of water or tile inlet
- Operation is using no-till on less than 50% of total corn acreage

Ranking:

High	three or more items checked
Medium	two
Low	one or less

Conservation Practices that may address resource concerns:

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Residue Management, No-till (corn only)
Grade Stabilization Structure
Grass Waterway
Critical Area Planting
Streambank Stabilization
Pasture/Hayland planting

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Resource Concern: LIVESTOCK

Sites have the following characteristics (check all that apply):

- Area located in watershed listed on IDEM 303 (d) Waters Impaired from Nonpoint Sources list.
- Livestock in stream
- Area located within area of special watershed activity
(Source Water Protection Project, Fish Creek Project)
- Area located within the St. Joseph River (Maumee) watershed.
(Source of drinking water for the Ft. Wayne metro area)
- Within 1/8 mile (660 ft.) of body of water (ditch, stream, pond or wetland) or tile inlet that does not have a 20 foot perennial grass buffer around it.
- Less than 180 days of manure storage available
- Will convert cropland to pasture with a prescribed grazing plan
- Is an existing livestock operation.

Ranking:

High	four or more items checked
Medium	two or three
Low	one or less

Conservation Practices that may address resource concerns:

Waste Storage Structure
Prescribed Grazing/Fencing
Pasture/Hayland Planting
Closure of Waste Impoundment

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Resource Concern: WOODLAND

Sites have the following characteristics (check all that apply):

- Contiguous woodland area is a manageable forest unit.
- Area will connect existing woods
- Area located within area of special watershed activity
(Source Water Protection Project, Fish Creek Project)
- Area located within the St. Joseph River (Maumee) watershed.
(Source of drinking water for the Ft. Wayne metro area)
- Is part of a larger wooded tract
- Area is adjacent to a wooded areas permanently protected by conservation easements.
(areas are permanently dedicated to woodland uses)
- Will implement components of a forest management plan that will improve the forest resources. (practices may include: forest stand improvement, tree/shrub planting, & tree/shrub pruning)
- Area to be planted to trees will be a manageable forest unit.

Ranking:

High	three or more items checked
Medium	two
Low	one or less

Conservation Practices that may address resource concerns:

Forest Tree Stand Improvement
Tree Planting